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SUBJECT: UNESCO 97TH EXBD: ITEM 4.1.1

1. EXBD DID NOT REACH SUBJECT ITEM ON MAY 21 AS PRIVATE SESSION OF BOARD TO CONSIDER CHANGES IN STRUCTURE OF SECRETARIAT DEVELOPED INTO LENGTHY DISCUSSION WITH BROAD PARTICIPATION BY BOARD MEMBERS CONTINUING UNTIL LATE IN AFTERNOON. IT NOW ANTICIPATED THAT ITEM WILL BE DISCUSSED DURING MORNING MAY 22 THUS FURTHER CONTRACTING TIME AVAILABLE FOR ITEMS 9.2, 9.3 AND 9.4 ON CHILE. THIS LATTER DEVELOPMENT PLAYS INTO HANDS OF CHILEANS AND BOARD CHAIRMAN WHO HOPEFUL THAT DEBATE ON CHILE WILL BE TRUNCATED AND MATTER CAN BE DROPPED OR POSTPONED SINE DIE.

2. FOLLOWING A MEETING WITH BOARD CHAIRMAN AT NOON BREAK, ISRAELIS INFORMED US THAT THEY WOULD MAKE STATEMENT PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF REPORT OF PROGRAMME COMMISSION BUT WOULD NOT SEEK ANY SPECIFIC ACTION AT THIS TIME OR CALL FOR VOTING SITUATION. JONES TOLD ISRAELIS THAT US DID NOT PLAN TO CALL FOR SEPARATE VOTE ON MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS AND THAT WE CLEARLY ANTICIPATED REPORT WOULD BE ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE AND WITHOUT ANY CALLS FOR SEPARATE PARAGRAPH VOTING.

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HE ASSURED THEM THAT WE WOULD MAKE BRIEF STATEMENT

AFTER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION CALLING ATTENTION TO MAY 9
SCHERER STATEMENT SUMMARIZED IN PARAGRAPH 9 OF REPORT.

3. UK EOARD MEMBER MARTIN TOLD BAKER AT NOON TODAY
THAT SEVERAL BRITISH MPS WERE PRESSING FOREIGN OFFICE
TO REGISTER A NEGATIVE VOTE ON THE MEDITERRANEAN CON-
FERENCE RESOLUTIONS CONTAINED IN THE REPORT. HE BE-
LIEVED THAT, IN LIGHT OF SITUATION REPORTED IN PARA-
GRAPH 2 ABOVE, HE COULD SOLVE PROBLEM BY A STATEMENT
AFTER THE ADOPTION OF THE REPORT REGISTERING BRITISH
VIEWS ON INVITATION LIST. MARTIN AGREED THAT IT WOULD
BE WORTHWHILE TO WORK FOR ISRAELI INCLUSION IN INITIAL
STAGES OF EUROPEAN PROCESS LOOKING TOWARDS CONVENTION
ON DIPLOMA EQUIVALENCY AND BELIEVED THAT EL-WAKIL'S
STATEMENT POINTING IN THAT DIRECTION WAS HELPFUL AND
SIGNIFICANT.

4. IN SEPARATE DEVELOPMENT, BOARD CHAIRMAN WY
WYNTER INFORMED JONES THAT YEHUDI MENUHIN HAD TELE-
PHONED HIM FROM LONDON STATING THAT ISRAELI FOREIGN
MINISTRY WILLING TO DISCUSS LEMAIRE VISIT UNDER CERTAIN
CONDITIONS AND THAT IT WOULD NOT PRESS MEDITERRANEAN
CONFERENCE ISSUE. DAHOMEYAN BOARD MEMBER BOSSIER-
PALUN, WHO HAS CONFERRED TWICE WITH ISRAELIS, IS PLAN-
NING TO BRING THEM TOGETHER WITH DG LATER THIS WEEK
BUT IS UNCERTAIN THAT THE CONTACT WILL PRODUCE AGREE-
MENT ON CONTEXT OF LEMARIS VISIT. MADAM HERZOG TOLD
BAKER MAY 20 THAT SHE DOUBTED MADAM LAMBERT WOULD

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VOLUNTEER ISRAELI INTEREST IN LEMAIRE VISIT AND FELT THAT M'BOW, IN ABSENCE OF ANY ISRAELI REPLY TO HIS MARCH 29 LETTER ON LEMAIRE VISIT, WOULD MAKE NEW PROBE FOR A VISIT OUTSIDE OF CONTEXT OF 18TH GC RESOLUTION ON JERUSALEM. WE CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE BOSSIER-PALUN'S GOOD OFFICES IN THIS MATTER.

5. WE PLAN TO MAKE TWO STATEMENTS MAY 22, THE FIRST AFTER ADOPTION OF THE PROGRAMME COMMISSION REPORT AND THE SECOND AFTER ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION ON THE DIRECTOR GENERAL'S REPORT. THE FORMER WILL FOLLOW LINES INDICATED IN PARAGRAPH 9 OF OUR 12640 AND WILL BE ADJUSTED SOMEWHAT ACCORDING TO NATURE OF ISRAELI STATEMENT. SECOND WILL PRAISE RESOLUTION ON DG REPORT FOCUSING ESPECIALLY ON PARAS 2, 3 5, 6, 9, 12 AND 13 WITH THE MAIN EMPHASIS ON 13. BOTH STATEMENTS WILL CONCLUDE WITH FORWARD-LOOKING THRUST EMPHASIZING DESIRABILITY AND NEED FOR STEPS DESIGNED TO PRODUCE FURTHER PROGRESS ON ISSUES OF CONCERN AND BOTH OBSERVING THAT SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS OF DG AND BOARD CHAIRMAN TO AVOID POLITICIZATION OF BOARD SESSION HAVE PREPARED THE WAY FOR THIS.

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